Deputation policy for IRS officers

3537. SHRI KAMALAKHTAR: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have issued a new deputation policy for IRS officers which is not in consonance with the Central Staffing Scheme of DoPT and such officers have been put to disadvantages;

(b) if so, Government's response to such unfavourable treatment to certain civil services;

(c) whether it is also a fact that the new transfer policy for IRS officers has been announced and that the DoPT guidelines on posting on compassionate grounds relating to working spouse has not been followed; and

(d) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI S.S. PALANIMANICKAM): (a) The deputation policy for IRS officers was issued in 2006-07. The IRS is a participating service under the Central Staffing Scheme of DoPT and the said policy has been formulated keeping in view the administrative requirement of the Department as well as the Central Staffing Scheme.

(b) Does not arise in view of reply to (a) above.

(c) The Transfer Policy for IRS officers was framed in 2005 and the DoPT guideline on posting on compassionate grounds relating to working spouse has been followed.

(d) Does not arise in view of reply to (c) above.

Recommendations of the Sixth Pay Commission

†3538. SHRI RUDRA NARAYAN PANY: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) by when the Sixth Pay Commission would submit its recommendations and by when the Government would implement them;

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(b) whether Government would provide some interim relief to Government employees due to loss suffered by them for such a long time;

(c) if so, by when the same would be provided together with the extent of such relief to be provided; and

(d) if not, the reasons for non payment of the same?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL): (a) The Sixth Pay Commission is mandated to give its recommendations within 18 months from the date of its constitution, that is 5.10.2006, following which the Government will take further necessary action.

(b) to (d) The Terms of Reference of the Sixth Pay Commission include examination of desirability and the need to sanction any interim relief till the time the recommendations of the Commission are made and accepted by the Government.

The Government will take a decision on grant of interim relief to Central Government employees, after a recommendation in this regard is received from the Pay Commission.

Appointment of PFRA

3539. DR. ABHISHEK MANU SINGHVI:
SHRI VIJAY J. DARDA:
SHRIMATI SYEDA ANWARA TAIMUR:
SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to appoint a Pension Fund Regulatory Authority;

(b) if so, whether its area of operation will be limited to organized labour (National Pension Scheme) or whether it also cover the pension schemes already in operation for employees of Government/PSUs; and

(c) what are its proposed terms of reference, and by when it is likely to come into existence?